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Please find enclosed a patent application and papers as follows for:

Inventor(s):

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Title of the Invention:

"TROCAR PLACEMENT GUIDE NEEDLE"

A) APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- 1) X Fee Transmittal Form (original and duplicate submitted for fee processing)
- 2) X Applicant Claims Small Entity Status (see 37 CFR 1.27)
 - a) X Statement Verifying Small Entity Status (optional)
- 3) X Specification

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- -Descriptive Title of the Invention
- -Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable)
- -Statement Regarding Federally Sponsored R & D (if applicable)
- -Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- -Background of the Invention
- -Summary of the Invention
- -Description of the Drawing (if filed)
- -Detailed Description of the Invention

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-Claim(s) -Abstract of the Invention		
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